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Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



June 2002

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LAKE MICHIGAN

LMZ646 **Wind Pt Lt Wi To Winthrop Hbr II**
Wind Point to **03** **0710CST** **0** **0** **Marine Tstm Wind (G50)**
Kenosha **0955CST**

A line of severe thunderstorms moved east of Racine and Kenosha counties. Powerful northwest winds gusting to 58 knots (67 mph) were noted at the Racine Wastewater Treatment Plant on the Lake Michigan shoreline as the storms initially moved out over the lake, and 50 kt (58 mph) peak gusts out of the southeast were registered at the GLERL site in Kenosha, on the back side of the storms. At this coastal site, sustained winds were 35 kts (40 mph) or higher between 0855 and 0955CST. The southeast backside winds were due to a wake-low which developed over southeast Wisconsin.

LMZ645 **North Pt Lt To Wind Pt Wi**
North Point Lthouse to **10** **1950CST** **0** **0** **Marine Tstm Wind (G41)**
Wind Point

Severe thunderstorms over southeast Wisconsin moved out over the nearshore waters of Lake Michigan east of Milwaukee and Racine counties.

LMZ643 **Sheboygan To Pt Washington Wi**
3.5 NE Port Washington **14** **1130CST** **0** **0** **Waterspout**
3.3 NE Port Washington **1133CST**

A short-lived waterspout spun up about 1/2 mile out over the nearshore waters of Lake Michigan northeast of Port Washington (Ozaukee Co.). It was observed by a trained spotter who was traveling south along Interstate 43. Scattered thunderstorms developed and moved southeast along a surface trough/shear line that extended northwest to southeast from Lake Winnebago through Ozaukee County to east of Milwaukee. Apparently, a vortex on the shear line was stretched vertically by the updraft tower of a thunderstorm. The width of the waterspout at the water surface was about 10 to 15 yards. No damage was noted.

LMZ645 **North Pt Lt To Wind Pt Wi**
Milwaukee Harbor to **15** **1623CST** **0** **0** **Marine Hail (0.88)**
Wind Point **1632CST**

LMZ646 **Wind Pt Lt Wi To Winthrop Hbr II**
Racine to **15** **1627CST** **0** **0** **Marine Hail (0.75)**
Winthrop Harbor II

Severe thunderstorms packing large hail moved east out over the Lake Michigan waters between the Milwaukee Harbor and Winthrop Harbor, IL.

LMZ646 **Wind Pt Lt Wi To Winthrop Hbr II**
Wind Point to **15** **1707CST** **0** **0** **Marine Hail (0.75)**
Winthrop Harbor II

Scattered severe thunderstorms with large hail moved east out over the Lake Michigan waters between Wind Point, WI and Winthrop Harbor, IL.

WISCONSIN, Southeast

Sauk County								
Spring Green	03	0415CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Dane County								
Springfield Corners	03	0500CST 0700CST			0	0		Urban/Sml Stream Fld
Dane County								
Stoughton	03	0540CST			0	0	20K	Lightning
Milwaukee County								
Milwaukee to Brown Deer	03	0600CST 0800CST			0	0		Urban/Sml Stream Fld
Waukesha County								
Menomonee Falls	03	0600CST			0	0		Urban/Sml Stream Fld



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<u>WISCONSIN, Southeast</u>							
Walworth County							
2.5 NNE East Troy	03	0640CST			0 0	5K	Thunderstorm Wind (G56)
Kenosha County							
Twin Lakes to Kenosha	03	0655CST 0725CST			0 0	75K	Thunderstorm Wind (G56)
Racine County							
Burlington to Racine	03	0655CST 0725CST			0 0	200K	Thunderstorm Wind (G58) ^M
Racine County							
5 NW Sturtevant	03	0700CST			0 0	10K	Heavy Rain
Racine County							
Sturtevant	03	0709CST			0 0		Funnel Cloud
Kenosha County							
Kenosha	03	0715CST			0 0		Hail(0.88)
Rock County							
2 E Avalon	03	0802CST			0 0		Hail(0.75)
Walworth County							
2 SE Fontana	03	0825CST			0 0	10K	Thunderstorm Wind (G56)
Dane County							
Fitchburg	03	0830CST			0 0	0.50K	Lightning
WIZ071>072							
Racine - Kenosha	03	0855CST 0955CST			0 0		High Wind (G50)

Three lines of severe thundrestorms moved east-southeast across south-central and southeast Wisconsin. The last line was the strongest of the three. Damaging, straightline winds were the most common type of severe weather, although some large hail stones were spotted. Brief, torrential downpours accompanied some of the storms, especially in the counties of Dane, Racine and Kenosha. The toppled trees pulled down power lines near Fontana (Walworth Co.), and across much of Racine and Kenosha counties. The Racine Wastewater Treatment Plant registered a peak northwest wind gust of 58 kts (67 mph). In the cities of Sturtevant (Racine Co.) and Racine, 4 vehicles and 2 garages were damaged or destroyed due to felled trees. On another Racine home, the wind blew an old chimney down. At least another 4 homes in Racine had some gutter or siding damage. In Sturtevant, a flaf pole was bend 45 degrees, and a stored pontoon boat was flipped over. A covered wagon in Kansasville (Racine Co.) was damaged when the thunderstorm winds blew it over. Roof shingles were ripped off several homes in the city of Kenosha. One Kenosha home had a large tree fall on its roof, damaging the chimney, gutters, and wood trim. A large yacht was blown off its perch and into a fence near the Lake Michigan shoreline in downtown Kenosha, but sustained only minor damage. Lightning struck an apartment building in Stoughton (Dane Co.), starting a fire that left \$20,000 in damage. In Fitchburg (Dane Co.), lightning struck a home and traveled down a pipe to the basement where a small fire started in a rubbish bin. Rainfall amounts of 1 to 2 inches generated some small stream flooding that pushed water over the roads in Sringfield Corners (Dane Co.). Up to 3.5 inches of rain fell in Menomonee Falls (Waukesha Co.) resulting in urban flooding, which extened east across northern Milwaukee County where 2 to 3 inches fell. Several roads in northern Milwaukee County had water up to 12 to 18 inches deep. Heavy rains in Racine County lead to hydroplaining problems on Interstate 94 where a semitrailer truck jack-knifed and rolled over at about 0730CST.

A wake-low developed over southeastern Wisconsin on the west side of the 3rd line of storms, after it had moved east to over Lake Michigan. The pressure gradient between the thunderstorm-induced mesohigh over Lake Michigan and the wake low in the vicinity of Madison to Whitewater generated a high wind event over the eastern parts of the counties of Racine and Kenosha. Southeast winds gusted to 50 knots (58 mph) at the GLERL observation site on the shore of Lake Michigan in downtown Kenosha at 0900CST, and were equal to or greater than 35 kts (40 mph) between 0855 and 0955CST. Numerous trees were pushed down by the high winds, and a greenhouse on the UW-Parkside campus sustained window damage. Gusty southeast winds to 30 to 43 knots (35 to 50 mph) were noted over the remainder of southeast and south-central Wisconsin south of Interstate 94 and east of Interstate 90, resulting in many small branches breaking off of trees. The combination of severe thunderstorms followed by high winds resulted in 18,000 customers losing electrical power in the counties of Racine and Kenosha. About 200 lines were down either due to the winds or lightning.



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WISCONSIN, Southeast

Lafayette County

3 E Darlington to
3 SE Darlington

04

1100CST
1230CST

0

0

5K

Flash Flood

Torrential rainfalls associated with slow-moving thunderstorms, resulted in some gravel shoulder washouts near a bridge on State Highway 81 east of Darlington. The road was blocked off as a precautionary measure due to high water levels on the local river. There were several reports of mud and gravel washed down from driveways onto roads in the Darlington area east to Green County. The Darlington Wastewater treatment plant measured 3.97 inches of rain during the morning and early afternoon hours. Further southeast in Monroe (Green Co.), the treatment plant in that city measured 3.62 inches, but luckily no flooding problems were noted.

Racine County

Racine

04

1100CST

0

0

5K

Lightning

Lightning struck near an unoccupied home in the central part of the city of Racine and traveled through power lines into the home. The homes siding and electrical wiring were damaged.

Rock County

3.5 SE Clinton

10

1815CST

0

0

Thunderstorm Wind (G56)

Walworth County

Sharon to
Walworth

10

1817CST
1825CST

0

0

Thunderstorm Wind (G56)

Rock County

2 E Edgerton

10

1820CST

0

0

Thunderstorm Wind (G56)

Jefferson County

3.2 NE Concord

10

1915CST

0

0

Thunderstorm Wind (G52)

Milwaukee County

Milwaukee

10

1930CST
2100CST

0

0

Urban/Sml Stream Fld

Waukesha County

Sussex

10

1936CST

0

0

Thunderstorm Wind (G56)

Milwaukee County

Greendale

10

1940CST

0

0

Hail(0.75)

Milwaukee County

Greendale to
Shorewood

10

1950CST
2005CST

0

0

Thunderstorm Wind (G56)

Scattered, evening, severe thunderstorms with damaging straight-line winds and large hail developed over parts of south-central and southeast Wisconsin. The powerful winds toppled trees which pulled down power lines. In addition, brief, torrential rainfalls resulted in urban flooding on the southwest side of the city of Milwaukee around 76th and Oklahoma, where water was 10 inches deep on roads. About 4,000 homes in Jefferson and Milwaukee counties lost electrical power due to downed lines or lightning hits.

Dane County

3 WSW Mazomanie

11

0400CST

0

0

Thunderstorm Wind (G61)

Numerous large trees were uprooted by a very localized, wet-microburst as a cluster of severe storms moved east-southeast across Dane County. The pulse-type storms quickly diminished in strength after moving out of the northwest part of Dane County.

Washington County

West Bend to
Jackson

15

1326CST
1330CST

0

0

Hail(0.75)

Fond Du Lac County

Fond Du Lac

15

1358CST
1400CST

0

0

Hail(0.75)



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<u>WISCONSIN, Southeast</u>								
Milwaukee County Timmerman Arpt	15	1559CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Milwaukee County 3 N General Mitchell Arj	15	1623CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Racine County 1 N Racine	15	1627CST			0	0		Hail(0.88)
Milwaukee County 3.7 SW General Mitchell	15	1629CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Milwaukee County Oak Creek	15	1632CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Racine County Racine	15	1707CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Scattered severe thunderstorms moved through southeast Wisconsin dumping large hail. The ground was covered white around Timmerman Field on the northwest side of the city of Milwaukee.								
Dane County Madison to Sun Prairie	16	1845CST 1850CST			0	0		Thunderstorm Wind (G52)
Several large trees were toppled by powerful straight-line winds as an isolated severe thunderstorm moved through Dane County.								
Marquette County 5 E Endeavor	21	1615CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Columbia County Marcellon	21	1640CST			0	0		Funnel Cloud
Columbia County 1 N Friesland	21	1705CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Sauk County 4 NW Rock Spgs	21	1705CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Dodge County 2 W Fox Lake	21	1719CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Dodge County 1 W Fox Lake	21	1725CST			0	0		Thunderstorm Wind (G65)
Dodge County 2 SW Fox Lake	21	1745CST			0	0		Thunderstorm Wind (G56)
Sauk County Rock Spgs	21	1748CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Columbia County 4 N Pardeeville	21	1810CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Short lines or clusters of severe thunderstorms moved southeast across parts of south-central and southeast Wisconsin, producing downbursts of straight-line winds and large hail. Just west of Fox Lake (Dodge Co.), the powerful winds demolished a shed and blew it onto a road. Southwest of Fox Lake the winds blew down county road signs. On the Milwaukee-Sullivan WSR-88D Doppler radar system, a decent mesocyclone was evident with a thunderstorm that moved southeast across the far northwest part of Columbia County into northwest Dodge County. The lack of low level boundaries ahead of this storm may have played a part in diminishing the lower atmosphere's ability to spin up into a tornadc.								
Green Lake County 5 W Fairburn to 8 N Princeton	22	0300CST 0500CST			0	0	10K	Flash Flood



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WISCONSIN, Southeast

Marquette County

5.5 WSW Neshkoro 22 0300CST
0500CST 0 0 10K Flash Flood

At least 3 lines of thunderstorms with heavy rains sagged south into the northern parts of Marquette and Green Lake counties during the overnight hours. Individual thunderstorm cells trained west to east, ultimately resulting in flash flooding which caused gravel shoulder washouts on some roads as well as road closures. WSR-88D Doppler radar estimated that 5 to 6 inches of rain fell between 2100CST on August 21st through about 0300CST on August 22nd. Further north, 8 to 15 inches were reported in parts of Juneau, Adams, Waushara, Wood, and Portage counties! Refer to the StormData reports produced by WFO La Crosse and WFO Green Bay for detailed flash flood information for central and northeastern Wisconsin, respectively.

WIZ066

Milwaukee
22 1100CST
1800CST 1 0 Excessive Heat

A 43-year old man was found dead on the steps of a Milwaukee church with a body temperature of 111. Heat was the primary cause of death based on medical reports (death is directly related to heat). The maximum air temperature was only in the lower 90s across the city of Milwaukee, with General Mitchell Field registering 91. Heat Index values were in the 95 to 100 range. The morning low at Mitchell Field was 63. Normal highs and lows for June 22nd are 78 and 58. M43OU

WIZ071

Racine
23 1100CST
1800CST 0 0 Excessive Heat

A 37-year-old women died in her apartment after her body temperature reached 109 degrees. Medical reports indicated that heat was a secondary cause of death (indirectly-related to heat). Maximum air temperatures in Racine ranged from 90 to 91, after overnight lows around 68. Heat indices were in the 95 to 100 degree range. June 23rd was the second of four consecutive days with maximum readings in the lower 90s across southeast and south-central Wisconsin, or about 12 to 15 degrees above normal.

Columbia County

Pardeeville 26 0300CST 0 0 100K Lightning

Lightning struck a home in Pardeeville, starting a fire that gutted the 2nd floor. It traveled down to the 1st floor and blew out the front door's frame, blew out light switches, and knocked pictures off walls.